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President's Dispatch

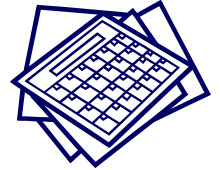
The March 21st meeting was well attended by twenty-seven members, which was one more than the Knoxville Philatelic Society had at their March meeting. Way to go Holston Stamp Club members! I think it is exciting to know that a club as small as ours is can have such great attendance. The February meeting was also attended by twenty-seven members. We had a lively auction at the end of our March meeting, please see the treasurer's report on the next page for the results.

If you did not fill out and turn in one of the survey forms I passed out during the March meeting, please fill one out and bring it to the April meeting or mail it to me at 140 Bellebrook Road, Bristol, TN 37620. I have only received five surveys back at this point. These surveys will help your executive board make and/or keep the meetings interesting and enjoyable for the majority of the club members.

Dick Odum told me he contacted Bill Vance after Bill's surgery. Bill stated he is doing very well and that he is definitely planning to be at HOLPEX on May 10 and 11. We will need a couple of volunteers to help Bill unload his items before the show and then help him load them after the show. I will have some flyers announcing HOLPEX 2019 at our next meeting for those who are willing to distribute some of them. There will also be a sign-up sheet for members to select times on Friday and Saturday to monitor the welcome table at the door during the show. The location for HOLPEX 2019 will be inside the Best Western Hotel at 2406 North Roan Street in Johnson City (at the intersection of North Roan Street and I-26) like it has for the last few years.

Steve

Club Calendar



Guests and Visitors

always Welcome!

April 18th - 7 p.m.

**Monthly Meeting at
Northeast State Community College
Student Services Building Cafeteria**

Following is a brief summary of March's regular meeting courtesy of our club secretary.

For members interested in exhibiting during HOLPEX 2019 the club has eight frames to fill. One frame will be reserved for one and two page exhibits. The one and two page exhibits must be prepared in portrait format.

Steve brought in new Northeast State parking passes and handed them out to members.

The club buying committee said there is enough philatelic inventory left to fill monthly meeting auctions through June. A discussion ensued on how much budget the buying committee should be given to purchase more materials for the monthly auctions. A motion was made to allow the buying committee to spend up to \$3,500. The motion was seconded and the members present voted in favor of it.

Steve still has a few of the unaddressed Tennessee Ernie Ford covers for members who haven't received one yet. If you are not able to attend a meeting send Steve a self-addressed stamped envelope and he will send you one.

March meeting summary continued,

Bob Soeder made a presentation to the members on the stamps he collects postmarked in towns of the German States. He explained that the postmarks he is interested in are ones in the shape of a horseshoe typically dated 1865 to 1870. He then passed around an example of a cut square with a horseshoe postmark. He described what research he did on the postmark after purchasing the cut square from eBay and how he determined it was a fake. He concluded by saying he was quite satisfied with his \$9.70 purchase because of the enjoyment it provided to him while doing the research.

Dawn Richards passed around an unusual postcard made of wood. She also spoke about America's military Victory Mail (V-Mail) during World War II.

The auction at the end of the meeting had many, many lots from the combined Boyer-McDaniel families stamp collection that the club is auctioning off as a consignment sale. The lots sold well.

There will be a group of German stamps in the auction at the end of the April meeting that are a type of stamp known as Hand Overprint. There are 47 different stamps, all never hinged. The stamps are not listed by Scott, but they can be found in the Michel catalog. The overprint is 3Berlin4 and is the same on all 47 stamps. The 47 stamps will be split up into three lots and will be described in the auction to be forgeries. The reserve will be 30 cents per stamp.



Monthly Treasury Report

Beginning Balance Mar. 3, 2019	\$4,972.63
Beginning Cash on Hand	\$4,970.57
checking account balance	\$4,112.68
cash box	\$857.89
outstanding checks	\$0.00
Total Income	\$597.70
HSC Auction sales	\$53.45
other sales	\$8.50
McDaniel Consignment Sales	\$535.75
Total Disbursements	(\$22.00)
APS Circuit Expenses	(\$10.00)
HSC Bucks Redeemed	(\$12.00)
Ending Balance Apr. 5, 2019	\$5,546.27
Ending Cash on hand Apr. 5, 2019	\$5,530.34
checking account balance	\$3,976.75
cash box	\$1,596.17
outstanding checks	\$42.58
Adjustment	(\$15.93)

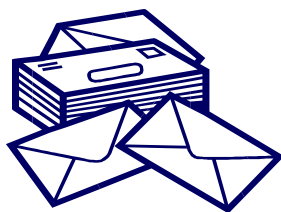
During the March special auction four members sold 23 lots for a total of \$79.65. There were 45 HSC lots that sold for a total of \$53.45.

Royal Philatelic Collection continued by your newsletter editor

Starting in the 1890s Prince George had assistance with organizing his stamp collection from John Tilleard, who took on a new position, "Philatelist to the King". Together they expanded the collection with Prince George purchasing expensive stamps and covers. Prince George continued to collect stamps after he became King George V in May 1910 and worked with a new "curator" starting in 1913. In the 2010 movie *The King's Speech*, Prince Albert, King George V's second son, mentioned his father's strong interest in stamps. The royal family stamp collection was housed in albums with red covers holding 55 pages each. By the end of King George V's reign in 1936 there were 328 "Red Albums".

After King George V's first son abdicated from being King Edward VIII, Prince Albert became king taking on the name King George VI. He continued to add to the collection with assistance from a former Royal Philatelic Society London president.

More on this subject next month.



Unless otherwise indicated by announcement in the newsletter, Holston Stamp Club conducts its regular meeting on the 3rd Thursday each month at 7 p.m.

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